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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE SPECIAL MAILED BALLOT FOR CEDAR GLEN

The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Special Districts Department to issue mailed ballots to Cedar Glen property owners to consider the approval of an annual road maintenance service charge within County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone Cedar Glen (CSA 70, Improvement Zone CG).

In order for the County Redevelopment Agency (RDA) to designate funding to road improvements in Cedar Glen, the RDA needs to know that the roads will be maintained by an appropriate entity like CSA 70, Improvement Zone CG. Redevelopment law prohibits the RDA from expending Redevelopment monies on infrastructure that will not be maintained.

If the property owners approve the service charge, Special Districts through CSA 70 Improvement Zone CG would take over the maintenance of approximately 23 miles of unimproved roads. As discussed at community meetings, some of the primary roads that would be maintained include Torrey Road, Elder Drive, and Little Bear Creek. These roads and others will have turnouts or turnaround areas to enable fire equipment to enter and exit safely without major impediments to traffic or major time delays for emergency response.

If approved, property owners would receive road grading at 2 times per year, culvert cleaning at 2 times per year, and snow removal at 8 times per year. The maintenance would be applicable to all roads within the CSA 70, Improvement Zone CG boundary, which is coterminous with the Arrowhead Manor Water District boundaries.

The determining factor for this infrastructure has to do with funding and the special election. If property owners' approve the road service charge, Special Districts can proceed with road improvements in the summer of 2007. However, if the service charge is voted down, there will be no improvements to these roads and no maintenance.

The special election is imperative to the success of the project. Property owners can expect to receive an information letter during the week of February 5, 2007 and the mailed ballot approximately 2 weeks after that. Property owners will have 45 days from the date the ballots are mailed to return their ballots.

For additional information, please contact Special Districts at (909) 387-5967.